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PYRMONT.

How sweet to lie unto the field,
From breakfast smoking hot,
And chase a plow all day long
Round a torry acre lot,
And when it strikes against a stump,
Drawn by two horses stout,
To have the handles prance around
And punch your daylight out.
—A. C. McGee in Farm and Home.

Fulton county, from an agricultural standpoint, is one of the richest sections in the state—the Blue Grass country not excepted. The soil is admirably adapted to the raising of vegetables of all descriptions, which find a ready market in large cities that can be reached in from 6 to 8 hours. If our farmers would turn their attention to, and make a specialty of, either tomatoes, onions, beans or anything that suited their fancy and put out acre lots, they would discover that their products would find a quick sale at much better prices than they get for wheat and corn. Near Norfolk, Va., some years ago, they tried strawberry growing as an experiment. Today they ship this luscious berry in carload lots and find a ready market in Baltimore, Washington, Philadelphia and New York for all they can grow. Our facilities for shipping are good, and we have such markets as Memphis, Louisville, Cincinnati and St. Louis, besides many minor cities and towns in closer proximity. Co-operative companies, composed entirely of farmers, are organizing and building cold storage houses to preserve perishable produce, and place it on the market judiciously, so that their brother farmers will realize good profits. Creamery people are following the co-operative plan, and largely control the production and sale of butter in the interests of dairymen. Those taking hold of truck-farming will meet with more encouragement than they anticipate, and the risk in handling this class of produce will soon be reduced to a minimum. Think it over, talk it up and act. There is money in it for you.

We did not expect to take up the subject of co-operation among farmers again until such time as we could secure the services of one of the officers of the American Society of Equity to help us with a few convincing speeches at different points in Fulton county. We were notified a few weeks ago that the Hon. James M. Barlow, one of the vice presidents, of Plainfield, Ind., would be at our service on or before the 26th of February last; but unfortunately some of his family became ill, which prevented his coming, or the fixing of a new date for the present. We were convinced last summer that the farmers of Fulton county were like the man from Missouri. "To be convinced, 'he had to be shown'" results. Although the investment that each farmer is called upon to make when joining the society is very small, compared with the benefits derived from it, yet it is right and proper that he should be convinced by indisputable facts that these benefits will accrue. Should he become a member and pay his pro rata of the expense of maintaining the organization—which, for the present, is \$1 per year, including a subscription to the official organ of the society, issued semi-monthly—he will receive bulletins and such circular matter, pertaining to important transactions in the markets from time to time, as may be issued, which circulars keep the member posted as to the visible supply of wheat, corn, cotton, meat and such other produce as the farmer may have to offer, the best time to sell, etc.

Results have materialized, as is fully and clearly shown in an article replying to the St. Louis Globe Democrat to be found in these columns.

DID WHEAT REACH THE DOLLAR MARK AS A RESULT OF THE RUSSIA-JAPANESE WAR?—FACTS WORTH CAREFUL AND CONFIDENT READING. From the Semi-Weekly Globe-Democrat of March 1 we quote: "Just now the storm center of the speculative exchanges is the wheat market. The product, as everybody had a right to expect,

went up on account of the war" In its issue of March 4, three days later, we find this contradictory statement: "Japan does not consume American flour, and Russia will not buy it. The war seems to be an insufficient reason for the advance in prices."

The Globe-Democrat is not as much at sea in regard to the price of wheat as one would be led to believe from the above. We see further on that the disturbances in the far East had a tendency to spring wheat from \$1 per bushel to its present price, as any reasonable person will admit, but we emphatically deny that it brought it to the dollar mark. Influences other than the war between Japan and Russia were at work before the probability of war was seriously considered.

The American Society of Equity, an organization of farmers now numbering 70,000, and whose membership has been augmented by 11,000 new names since last

December, is directly responsible for "dollar wheat." The Globe-Democrat itself published the society's famous "Dollar Wheat Bulletin," issued last summer, calling upon all farmers to hold their wheat for \$1. This was not only done by members of the A. S. of E., but by many who were not members.

We submit the following table of receipts of wheat at primary markets, and ask the Globe-Democrat to explain the receipts in any other reasonable way except that in former years farmers let go of their crops soon after harvest, while this year they sold gradually. The time from July 1 is divided into six periods of five weeks each. The figures are weekly averages, according to Up To Date Farming, the official organ of the society:

	FOR THIS YEAR.	FOR TEN YEARS.
First period.....	2,749,000	2,500,000
Second ".....	4,049,000	5,490,000
Third ".....	6,922,000	7,490,000

Fourth ".....7,746,000 6,969,000
Fifth ".....7,101,000 4,151,000
Sixth ".....6,110,000 3,100,000
"Considering the ten year averages, the wheat was well out of the farmers' hands by the time the sixth period was reached, while this year the marketing was more gradual and the volume was well maintained up to and including the sixth period. Everybody knows that the system of marketing this year has resulted in a gradual appreciation of values, until at the end of the sixth period the cash value is 30 cents a bushel above the first period. If this system would always prevail and be adopted by growers, shippers and millers it would be infinitely better for all concerned. What is true of wheat is also true of other grain, and we predict will be true of cotton, meat, vegetables, etc., in the future."

This article is not written to influence anyone to take a membership in the A. S. of E. It has attained gigantic proportions and

reached a point where its influence is felt, not only in the United States, but in Europe as well. It holds the key to the situation in the wheat market, and what gambling is done must be done when wheat is held at the minimum price established by the society—\$1 per bushel for wheat and 90 cents per bushel for corn. The latter cereal has not yet reached that figure; but mark the prediction, it will be there before May.

When the society's "Dollar Wheat Bulletin" was published in the Star by us last year, it was ridiculed and made light of by the unthinking ones; but the prediction has been verified just the same.

The leading newspapers of the country, with one accord, are playing into the hands of syndicates and trusts, and the statements of many of them, with regard to prices and crops, are misleading to the farmer—just as

they intend they shall be. Agricultural papers are theorizing as to the fertilizer question, suggesting expensive experiments. Writers to their columns—many of them—are pro and con on every subject dealt with, until the average farmer turns away in disgust from the bewildering mass of contradictions and inconsistencies. They are all trying to teach the toiling farmer how to raise more grain, but mark how silent they are when the question of the farmer pricing his own product is concerned. They are not the farmers' friend, and will not assist in any movement looking to his interest until they are driven to it by an organization of farmers powerful enough to assume the prerogative long withheld, viz.: Pricing his product (the finest in the world) the same as manufacturers of farm implements price their products to the farmer.

ARAGON.

CAYCE NOTES.

Guy Johnson is on the sick list this week.

Tom Atterberry went to Hickman on business Friday.

Miss Ethel Naylor, of Hickman, is visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Julia Hansberry visited her niece, Mrs. R. L. Campbell, Monday.

From what Dame Rumor says, wedding bells will soon be ringing here again. 'Tis a good sign.

Mrs. Eugene Naylor, of Hickman, was the pleasant guest of Mrs. Dr. J. W. Naylor Saturday.

F. B. Atterberry returned from Fulton Monday, after spending a few days with his daughter, Mrs. Lou Jones.

Mrs. John Craig and son, of Covington, Tenn., returned home Friday after a pleasant visit to friends here.

Miss Nina McCellan gave an "observation" party Friday evening. All report a delightful time.

Miss Ruby Ramer, of Moscow, returned to her home Sunday after a pleasant visit to friends and relatives here.

The singing school at Ebenezer is flourishing, and is regularly attended by many of our young folks, who seem to enjoy it immensely.

Walter Oliver made a flying trip to Fulton Saturday and returned with a new buggy. Watch out, girls—especially one fair daughter of Eve.

The wedding supper given Dr. Lou Naylor and bride by Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Naylor on the night of their wedding, was enjoyed by all fortunate enough to be present.

A fine boy made his appearance at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Roper last Friday. That accounts for the smile that won't come off which has adorned Tommy's countenance of late.

The Cayce String Band occasionally treats the subscribers to the Jordan Telephone company to some exquisite music. That rendered Saturday afternoon was exceptionally fine and enjoyed by all auditors.

Dr. Lou Naylor and bride returned home Wednesday evening, after a bridal trip to St. Louis. They were at once driven to the home of W. A. Naylor, where a royal welcome and a delightful supper awaited them.

Quite a number of boys went to the residence of John Nugent one night last week for the purpose of serenading him and his estimable young bride. After much melody of sound had been wafted on the breeze and penetrated the remotest corners of the neighborhood, and the expected applause failed to materialize, the serenaders discovered to their chagrin that the honorees of the nocturnal visit were not at home.

A GOOD THING

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at **15c**

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at **20c**

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300 yards best quality, worth
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These are extra bargains that I
have placed on bargain counter with
other lines. Dont fail to see them.

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Perhaps never before in the
history of the expression has the
word "dough" (meaning money)
borne such significance as at the
present time.

Everyone is hoping for an early
spring except the commanders of
the ice-bound Russian cruisers
in Vladivostok harbor. They
know that the wily little Japs are
waiting just outside.

The best way to reconcile Hickman is
to send Tom Loftis and John Yates
down there to hold prayer meeting—
Fulton Commercial.

Rev. Hall has no doubt forgot-
ten that the Fulton Baptist
church is a board mission church
and sends no missionaries except
through the board.

The Hearst presidential boom

has reached the mud-slinging
stage, and as Willie Randolph is
possessed of several newspapers
of various shades of yellow, we
may soon find out a whole lot
of things about the high contracting
parties to the contest. It may
not all be of the most savory
character, but it will, no doubt,
make mighty interestin' readin'.

Next Tuesday, March 15, the
legislature will adjourn. It has
accomplished most of the aims
it had before it—the principal
one of which being the depletion
of the treasury—and the remain-
ing bills that are to come before
it are of little importance. If for
no other reason, it is at least to
be congratulated on the success
of its main object, and its deter-
mination to adjourn at the expira-
tion of the time specified by
law for the duration of legisla-
tive sessions.

While continually proclaiming
himself as out of the political
game, Henri Waterson keeps up
a running fire at the heads of all
democrats who have been prom-

inently mentioned as presiden-
tial timber. As Mr. Waterson
has declared that the Courier-
Journal would support the nomi-
nee of the St. Louis convention
would it not be better for the
future union of the party if he
were to hold his fire? Should it
so happen that the subject of one
of Mr. Waterson's diatribes is
the nominee, would he not find
it rather compromising to give
the said nominee the unstinted
support of the Courier-Journal,
as he has promised? And what
about the capital the opposition
would make out of these pre-con-
vention attacks? Mr. Waterson
would do the whole party a favor
if he will allow the national con-
vention to nominate the candi-
date without let or hindrance.
Prejudging and denouncing even-
man whose head rises above the
level is not conducive to party
union, and party union is abso-
lutely essential to democratic
success in November.

The shots which the Courier has
taken at some of its contempora-
ries recently was not done with
any malicious intent, as some of
them seem to think. It took
a stand upon a certain question
and did what it could to arouse
public sentiment against the sub-
ject in question in order to bring
it into dispute. Its line of ar-
gument was fair and honorable,
and it is persistently adhered to
the truth. It is a most remarkable
fact that every editor who took
any part in the discussion, and
who have since complained that
the Courier has been too rough,
came out in their very next edi-
tion with scorching editorials,
vilifying and abusing personally
the editor of the Courier. The sub-
ject in hand was pigeon-holed
and "all hands and the cook" be-
gan a personal fight against us.
Some of such attacks we have
answered in the same manner as
they were made; others we have
passed unnoticed. Having paid
them in their own coin, as it
were, we are satisfied and sug-
gest that the worthies, who

have assumed an air of injured in-
nocence, go back to the point of
their digression, and refute, if
they can, the Courier's charges.
Mud-slinging is not conducive to
the betterment of men's morals,
nor the elevation of society, and
although it was necessary for us
to soil our hands in our recent
unequal encounter, we promise
our readers that, in future, mud
will be a small factor in the Cour-
ier's make-up.

STATE LINE ITEMS.

D. C. Maddox spent Sunday in
Dresden, Tenn.

Col. L. C. Maddox was in Union
City last Monday to receive a
cartload of mules.

Miss Lizzie French, of Oakton,
has been visiting Mrs. W. B.
Clark for the past week.

Charles Wagner, of Martin,
visited his cousins, the family of
Albert Jeffries, several days last
week.

D. A. Deuberry, who has been
at the bedside of his daughter,
Miss Dora, for the past week, re-
turned to his home at Greenfield,
Tenn., Sunday.

Miss Dora Deuberry, of Green-
field, who has been on an extend-
ed visit to Miss Lillie Maddox,
and who was taken sick shortly
after her arrival, was taken to
Union City to undergo a course
of medical treatment from Dr.
Nailling.

COUGHED ALL NIGHT.

BUT QUICKLY CURED BY CHAMBERLAIN'S
COUGH REMEDY.

A few mornings ago Mr. J. G. Smith-
erman, a good citizen of this place,
came to the store for a cough medicine,
says Dr. C. N. Parrell, of Mapleville,
Ala. "He was so hoarse that he could
hardly talk and said he had coughed all
the night before. I sold him a bottle of
Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and
told him if it did not relieve him he
might bring the bottle back and get his
money. I saw him the next morning
carrying the bottle to the store where
he works, and he told me it did him
more good than he could express. He
ever used it. For sale by T. T. Swayne.

Take Wright, the West Hickman gro-
cer and understand that he is sell-
ing groceries cheaper than any one in
Hickman. He is selling seven bars of
Dead soap for 25c and seven pack-
ets of Arm and Hammer Brand soda
for 25c. All other goods in proportion.
Call on Wright, the West Hickman

WRITERS AND PLAGIARISTS.

We present to our readers this week a striking illus-
tration of the manner in which some of our great (?) moulders
of public opinion "write" their editorials, and then regale
to themselves the honor and credit that results from well-
written articles on timely subjects. The first quotation is
from the pen of that able writer and distinguished debater,
Eld. J. N. Hall, in the Fulton Commercial, and is as follows:

"Our erratic neighbor of the Hickman Courier dis-
cusses with a lively interest this week. He has a good text,
the Daily Commercial, and if he will stick to his text and
model after this paper, he may attain to some eminence,
yet."—Commercial, Friday March 4.

The next is part of an article printed in the Courier of
February 19. It was written as an editorial, but was crowded
out of the editorial columns by other matter, and appeared
on one of the local pages of that issue. By its side appears
the same article, somewhat deformed in an effort to disguise
the plagiarism, but substantially the same, as it appeared as
an editorial in Mr. Hall's paper, the Commercial, bearing
date of March 3.

[FROM THE COURIER, FEB. 19]

The Bradley Registration bill,
providing for the registration of
voters in cities and incorporated
towns of all classes, has become a
law. * * * The important
provision of the law is that a cer-
tificate will be given each voter when
he registers, and if he cannot pro-
duce said certificate at the polls he
cannot vote. Provision is made for
procuring a duplicate certificate by
making affidavit that the original
was lost; but this does not mean
that a duplicate may be secured
when the original is sold or other-
wise willfully disposed of. The ef-
fect of this law in this county will
probably be a decline in the num-
ber of votes cast in the fall election,
as there will certainly be some who
will neglect to register, while oth-
ers, although registered, will mis-
place or lose their certificates, and
fail to get duplicates. * * *

We congratulate the reverend gentleman upon his ability
to recognize the value of an important article, and also upon
the progress he is making toward a more enlightened plane
of newspaper work. With the Courier as a beacon light,
shedding its rays with effulgent glory to the manifold points
of the compass, and lighting the pathway of its more unfor-
tunate brothers, the Commercial may in time get within hail-
ing distance of the goal of every editor's ambition. Although
an editor for years, Rev. Mr. Hall has seemingly not familiar-
ized himself with the unwritten laws governing plagiarism,
nor what their infraction entails. If he would cast about him
he would readily discover the causes for his continued medi-
ocrity and unsatisfactory attainments.

[FROM THE COMMERCIAL, MARCH 2]

The feature of the new registra-
tion law for Kentucky, is that in
cities and incorporated towns of all
classes, a certificate will be given
each voter when he registers. If
he cannot produce said certificate
at the polls he cannot vote. Pro-
vision is made for procuring a du-
plicate certificate by making affi-
davit that the original was lost. But
this does not mean that a duplicate
may be secured when the original
has been sold or otherwise disposed
of. The effect of this law will
probably cause a falling off in the
number of votes cast this fall, as
there will certainly be some who
will neglect to register, while oth-
ers, though registered, will lose or
misplace their certificates. It is a
proper law, nevertheless, and will
prevent illegal voting.

Are You Going to Do Any

Painting

If so, see

SWAYNE, THE DRUGGIST

Before buying. He handles
Everything in that line.

Lead, Oil, Terps, Colors in Oil, Stain,
Varnish, Hard Oil, Brushes, Putty, Yel-
low Ochre, and, last but not least,

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At \$1.40 Per Gallon.

GUARANTEE LETTER.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 3, '04.—Mr. T. T. Swayne—Dear Sir: We are
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solutely pure lead and zinc paint, containing not an ounce of whiting, chalk,
barites or other adulterant. We guarantee that it will, where properly ap-
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and it seems to us that a guarantee of this kind coming from a house of our
responsibility will cover every point.

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A Perfect Cure for All Throat and
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ited relatives in Crystal, Sunday.
Esp. D. W. Dickinson will
soon have his residence complet-
ed.

Misses Natilee and Bettie Ed-
wardson went to Hickman, Mon-
day.

Marshall Gifford and wife vis-
ited Mrs. Sallie Williams Sun-
day.

Our farmers are making prepa-
rations for putting in their
crops.

P. Craddock has returned home
after a few weeks stay in Miss-
issippi.

Jesse Jones, of Mabel, Ky.,
visited his mother, Mrs. J. J.
Jones, Sunday.

Mrs. W. W. Watson is quite
sick this week. We hope to see
her out again soon.

Austin Kemp will move his
family to Brownsville, this week.
He will have charge of Mrs. Jas
per Edwards farm this year.

RUSH CREEK LETTER.

Miss Lena Davis is well now,
we are pleased to state, and she
is prettier than ever.

Miss Mary McGee, of Rural,
visited friends and relatives Sat-
urday and Sunday last. She is
much improved in health and
looks quite bewitching with her
short curls of hair.

The young girls have organiz-
ed an embroidery club. They
meet every Tuesday afternoon at
the home of some member and
then the hostess entertains the
young ladies and beaux of the
neighborhood in the evening.
Miss Ina McClellan was hostess
last week; and this week, Miss
Katie May Lunsford. The young
folks are delighted with their
new function.

The spring poet spent all of
his time in composing riddles,
which are more appreciated by
some than the most elaborate
composition, and consequently
he earnestly requests our kind
editor to give this one space in
his widely circulated paper,
knowing that many are interest-
ed in this particular instance.
The characters in it are related
to nearly every family in this
community. I give it as it was
written.

A RIDDLE.

Now my dear readers I'll speak
of a man,
Who has a good wife; her name
is Nan,

His name uncommon, we will
call Jeffie.
His wife's niece — his sister-in-
law, is Effie.
A brother to Jeffie is red-headed
[Dan].
And aunt to Effie is Mrs. Jeffie —
[Nan].
Eight children has farmer Jeffie,
And Dan has four by his dear
[wife Effie].
Now pray tell me if you can
How are Jeff's children related
[to Dan]?
Yes 'tis true that farmer Jeffie
Married the aunt of Dan's wife
[Effie].
Solve this riddle, I ask no more.
For often I have tried it, o'er
[and o'er].
But never have I found a man
That can tell how Jeff's children
[are related to Dan].
[Optimist].

Burrhead Does Not Always Win.

It is asserted that, while Mr. Roosevelt is distracted by quiet, thinking men, his popularity with the "burrhead" boys' element is unprecedented; that they are the people who carry the electors and that they are for Teddy or bust. Can Mr. Roosevelt equal — not say surpass — James G. Blaine's popularity with the burrhead boys' element? Roosevelt is a jingo but Blaine was a jingo of jingos. Roosevelt has defied Columbia, but Blaine had twisted the British lion's tail. Roosevelt's tact, but Bryan was tactful. Blaine was the idol of his party, nominated over the head of Arthur. The account of the white house does anybody dream of the Roosevelt would be nominated if another man were occupying the white house and discharging the duties and powers of the presidency?

MR. J. M. ALLEN.

100 E. Jacob St., Louisville, Ky., says:
"My wife has for some time been trou-
bled with rough hands and feet. After
using about one-half bottle of Para-
cramph the trouble has disappeared,
much to her satisfaction. I used it al-
so on my sore foot, tender from much
walking, and it gave me great relief."
Paracramph makes the skin soft, smooth
and healthy. Helm & Ellison.

A Mean Trick.

Referring to the elopement of Felix
Ray and Mrs. Birch Hollister, as told in
last week's Courier, the Paducah Regis-
ter says: "We think it is taking a
mean advantage of a man to run off
with his wife while he is in jail."

MOTHERS, LISTEN.

Protect your babies from that dreaded
disease, croup, by applying Paracramph
freely and giving tea to the child drop-
pically. Paracramph is safe and sure.
It does not contain any cocaine, opium,
or other drugs. It is mother's remedy
and is in every home every day in
the year. Ask Helm and Ellison.

LOVED PARADOX.

Here is a speech, her wayward act,
Her indifference to fact,
Her maddest inconsistencies —
Yes I admit it is for these —
I love her and, most strange to tell —
(My heart this paradox has proved)
Were she aware worthy to be loved,
I could not love her half so well!

WORKING OVERTIME.

Eight hour laws are ignored by those
timeless little workers — Dr. King's New
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COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

Fulton County Circuit Court, Ky.
trent Judge etc. plaintiffs, { Equity.
vs. H. B. Jones etc. defendants. }
By virtue of a Judgment and Order
of Sale of Fulton County Circuit Court,
rendered at the January term thereof,
1904, in the above cases, I shall pro-
ceed to offer for sale at the Court House
in Hickman, Ky., to the highest
bidder at public auction on Monday,
the 14th day of March, 1904, at 10:00
o'clock a. m. or thereafter (being
County Court day) upon a credit of six
months with interest at the rate of 6%
per annum, the following described
property to wit: 1st, lots Nos. 27 and
the west 32 feet of lot No. 28 as same
are designated and known upon the
plan or map of Old Hickman; 2nd,
one acre and one-half of lot No. 22 as
same is known and designated upon the
plan or map of Old Hickman; 3rd,
the west one-half of lot No. 8 as same
is known and designated upon the plan
or map of Old Hickman, together
with buildings and improvements thereon
situated, making sale of the property
as above described, or such part thereof
as may be necessary to produce the sum
of money so ordered to be made. For the
purchase price the purchaser, with ap-
proved security or securities, must ex-
ecute bond, bearing legal interest from
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Bidders will be prepared to comply
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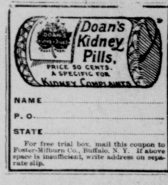
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the limbs and dropsy signs vanish.
They correct urticaria with trick dust
sediment, highly colored, excessive,
pain in passing, dribbling frequency.
Doan's Kidney Pills dissolve and re-
move calculi and gravel. Relieve heart
palpitation, sleeplessness, headache,
nervousness.

Tell City, Ind. — I received the free
trial of Doan's Kidney Pills. They are
splendid. I had an awful pain in my
back; on taking the pills the pain left
me right away and I feel like a new
man. — Stephen Schaefer.

Mrs. Addie Andrews, R. F. D. No. 1,
Broadhead, Wis., writes: I received
the free trial of Doan's Kidney Pills
with much benefit. My little nephew
was suffering terribly with kidney trou-
ble from scarlet fever. Two doctors
failed to help him and he finally went
into spasms. His father gave him
Doan's Kidney Pills and from the sec-
ond dose the pain was less. He began
to gain and is to-day a well boy, his life
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Ruddies Mills, Ky. — I received the
free treatment of pills. They does me
great good. I had bladder trouble, com-
pelling me to get up often during the
night. Now I sleep well; no pain in
the neck of the bladder; pain in the
is gone, also headache. — Geo. L. Hill.



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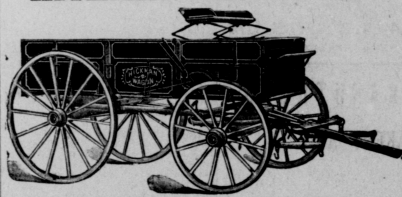
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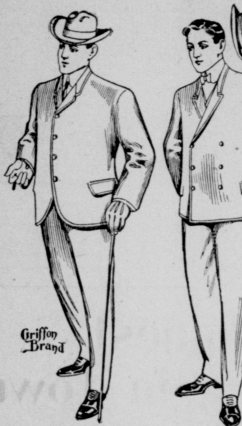
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When bilious try a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and realize for once how quickly a first class up-to-date medicine will correct the disorder. For sale by T. T. Swaney.

COMPARATIVE DISTANCES.

The war is a joke on the civilized world in one way. In the excitement over this thrilling brushes at Port Arthur and Chemulpo everybody forgot the enormous size of the region, where the struggle will take place and in heat of expectation of heavy firing, overlooked the vast distances. "They will fight near Harbin" was the word forthwith. Harbin is 120 miles inland from Port Arthur. Imagine troops landing on the Atlantic coast and going to Cincinnati to fight, right off the bat, marching overland.

Suppose that Canada were Siberia, and that Boston were Vladivostok, and New York were Port Arthur, and the only railway were the Canadian Pacific (Trans-Siberian) with one branch to Port Arthur (Vladivostok) and one to New York (Port Arthur). Call New England Manchuria and assume that Virginia is Korea. Suppose that the Russian army occupied New England, and the Japanese forces were landing in the vicinity of the Potomac river, some idea may be formed of the distances involved in the war in the Far East.

How quick do you suppose that armies could march from New England to Virginia, or from Virginia to New England, to give battle in the dead of winter? Such is the situation at the theatre of war. The Russians are in Manchuria. The Japs have landed in Korea. Both occupy the region they want. The Russians may wait for the Japs to try to drive them out and the Japs may wait for the Russians to attack them. The only chance for immediate hostilities would be if the Japanese besieged Port Arthur, or Vladivostok, by land and sea. But they do not appear to care to do so in mid-winter. It would involve terrible suffering.

To expect an immediate campaign between the Russian army, where it is, and the Japanese army, where it is, would necessitate air ships. They are hundreds of miles apart.

IT SAVED HIS LEG.
P. A. Darnum of LaGrange, Ga., suffered for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg; but writes that Burkin's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in five days. For ulcers, wounds, piles, it is the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 35 cents. Sold by all druggists.

A Touching Oratory.

Of "The Passing of a Loved Brother," a Kentucky biographer writes in an exchange: "It was about a quarter to ten—or I wouldn't be surprised if it wasn't five minutes to the same, considering the fact that the clock was a night day one, an 'had run down the night before, an' had been wound up an' set by sun time, which is not to the minute as everyone knows, though some go by the sun altogether, an' never bought a clock in their life, especially on the installment plan, which makes you pay twice as much as the clock is worth, he said taking the clock and all you have said in it, if you miss one installment. Well as I said when I started out, it was about a quarter to ten—or maybe five minutes to the same, when the spirit of our beloved brother shook off its earthly ekles—'a new suit he had just bought—and put on the heavenly robe which is without money and without price. Amen!"

Adam Semmes, of Union City, was in town Saturday.

"SORTER COMPLAINS"

Lord, we know we've been sorter complainin' the pathway along. But—you sent us a awful o' sorrow. When we especially asked you for rain, An' seein' our pra's knocked at heaven's in vain. We wuz so disapp'inted we had to com plain.

When we 'lowed that we'd have a green winter. An' the old rheumatism would go. After long prophesies, our hopes went a flyin' For down come the sleet an' th' snow! An' we jest wuz the saddest an' sickest ole crowd— But I reckon you knowed—kaze we groaned mighty loud

Then the hurricane hit us, an' nothin' Remained whar the house used to stan'. An', as of that weren't trouble, a arth-quake Jest whirled in an' swallowed th' land! But it freed us—it did—from the tax-takies' men. An' the sheriff had nuthin to leiy on then!

Thar wuz Providence in it—we seen it. An' jest quit complainin' all roun; On the hill tops we sang "Halleluia!" 'Till it shook every steeple in town! We're resigned to the hurricane, airy-quake or freeze— Your jest run this settlement, Lord, as you please!

—Atlanta Constitution.

Unhealthy Winter.

This seems destined to be the unhealthiest winter Hickman has experienced in many years. First, there was an epidemic of measles among the children, and this was followed last month by many cases of pneumonia and grippe, a number of which proved fatal, none especially among the advanced in years. Now erysipelas in a mild epidemic form is prevailing. Physicians report that there are more cases of erysipelas in this vicinity than any time in years, with prospects of many more. A number of well known people have been seriously ill and others are just contracting the painful disease. While very painful, it is not in an especially dangerous form here.

The first symptom of erysipelas is usually an itching of the nose, which gradually swells and becomes fiery red, cooking as if it had been badly burned. The swelling and inflammation gradually extend. If not checked, it goes deeply into the system by way of the lymph glands, which it attacks. Results are not infrequent.

New Lot of Lace

E. C. Rice & Co. have just received a new and select shipment of lace and embroideries especially for dress trimmings. They comprise all the latest styles and designs and are direct from the New York Market. Ivory Oriental, Butter Oriental, Ivory Chantilly, Black Insertions, Valenciennes, Laces, Wide Flouncings, Black Chantilly, etc., are among those received.

William Shaffer, a brakeman of Denison, O., was confined to his bed for several weeks with inflammatory rheumatism. I used many remedies, he says. Finally I went to McCaw's drug store for a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm, at which time I was unable to use hand or foot, and in one week's time was able to go to work as happy as a clam. For sale by T. T. Swaney.

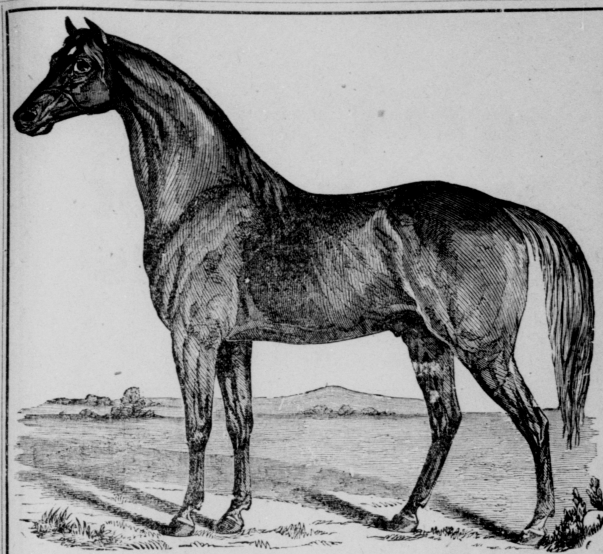
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Mrs. Chas. Rauch, of Fifth St., New York, writes: "For three months I had rheumatism in a very severe form, as if I were suffering with difficulty and severe pain. The pain was so severe as to prevent me from doing any work. I tried all the usual remedies, but to no avail. I then tried LIFE PLANT. Two bottles cured me. I cannot say too much for it."

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ALFRED G. 12,452
Record 2:19

This great sire belongs to a trotting family that is second to none. He is a proven sire of fast, game and level-headed race horses. He breeds large and strong. Alfred G. is a rich brown horse in color, 10.3 hands high, weighs 1150 pounds, a perfect feet individual and with the best of disposition. He is the sire of 321 with records from 2:07 to 2:30. In his list are the name of some of the greatest horses known to the harness horse world. Alfred G. will make season of 1904 at my Oakwood Farm 3 1/2 miles east of Hickman, Ky., on the State road, at the low price of \$25 to insure foal. Cash with service. Money refunded if mare does not get with foal.

HANDY ANDY.

"Handy Andy" is a bay horse, eight (8) years old, sixteen (16) hands high and weighs twelve hundred (1200) pounds. He is a perfect individual with fine disposition. There is nowhere to be found a better combined saddle and harness horse than "Handy Andy." To see him is to want one of his colts. Terms, ten dollars (\$10) to insure. "Handy Andy" will make the season of 1904 at my Oakwood Farm, three and a half miles east of Hickman, Ky.

AMERICAN ECLIPSE. NO. 405

American Eclipse is a registered black jack with white points. He is by IMPORTED REBO. This Jack was said by some of the best jack men of Middle Tennessee to have been the best jack that had ever been in Middle Tennessee for years. He took the premium at Palaski, Tenn., over a field of 62 jacks. American Eclipse is a perfect individual, 15.3 hands high under the standard, and weighs 1150 pounds. He has a fine head, ear, bone and muscle. He pleases all who see him. American Eclipse will make the season of 1904 at my Oakwood Farm three and a half miles east of Hickman, Ky., on the State road. Terms, \$10 to insure mares; \$20 to insure jennets.

Correspondence Solicited. Pedigrees on Application.

R. A. TYLER, Prop.

W. C. Johnson Resigns.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Hickman Bank held on Tuesday, the resignation of W. C. Johnson as cashier, was accepted, and Mr. Porter Shumate, of Newbern, Tenn., was elected to the position. Mr. Johnson's resignation is to take effect April 1 next. He has been cashier of the Hickman Bank for about fifteen years, previous to which he was for several years employed as assistant cashier. Mr. Johnson is conceded to be one of the shrewdest financiers in West Kentucky, has always been a great stickler for the proper observation of banking rules, and the bank's wonderful success is, in a large measure, due to his perceptive powers and the judgment he exercised in the placing of loans. His resignation was made necessary by the rapid accumulation of his private interests, to which, it is said, he will devote his time in the future.

Mr. Shumate, who succeeds Mr. Johnson, is at present acting as assistant cashier of a Newbern bank. He is a young man, well known in Hickman, and has had considerable experience in the banking business. His recommendations were of the highest quality, and he will no doubt acquit himself with honor.

Socially, Mr. Shumate is well and favorably known here. His estimable wife was Miss Pauline Prather, daughter of Mrs. Mollie Prather, who at the time of her marriage was a reigning society favorite. It is hardly necessary to state that on their return to Hickman they will be warmly welcomed by hosts of friends.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

Miss Blanche Hall, who is attending the Hall Moody Institute, spent Saturday and Sunday with her father.

Miss Lizzie Amberg has returned from the St. Louis market, where she bought the spring millinery for the firm of Smith & Amberg.

B. F. Shaw has had workmen engaged for the past week cleaning off

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Absolute Safety is the Basis

That we offer to depositors. Other inducements are of secondary importance.
Upon this Guarantee we solicit your patronage

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TOM DILLON, Sr., Prop'r.
(Successor to R. C. Ramage, dec'd.)
Marble and Granite Monumen
CURBING
STONE WORK of all Kinds.
IRON FENCING
Hickman, Ky.

the lot and building fences on the W. D. Powell place, on Troy Avenue, which property he bought last summer, and the contractors will begin next week to erect a new residence thereon.

The Bible cause was presented at the Methodist church last Sunday night and a collection of \$5.30 was made for the American Bible Society. Preaching next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock subject, Paul, the Missionary; at 7 p. m. the subject will be Our Heavenly Treasure. Sunday School, 9:40 a. m.; Epworth League 3 p. m.

Roy McKinney, of Paducah, is in town this week.

J. W. RONEY,
LAWYER
Hickman, Ky.
Settlements and divisions estates
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Robbins, Thomas & Tyler
Attorneys-at-Law.
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TO BE GIVEN AWAY FREE!

A \$35.00 OAK CHINA CLOSET

A \$30.00 LADIES' ^{BIRDS EYE} MAPLE DRESSING TABLE

A \$27.50 OAK DINING TABLE

All the above premiums are on display in our show windows.

The above premiums we will give away absolutely free. We have had printed 5,000 tickets numbered from 1 to 5,000, which we will give out—one with every dollar **CASH** purchase at our store.

We have had one of our St. Louis Dry Goods houses deposit in the Hickman Bank (sealed) three tickets, with one number on each ticket between 1 and 5,000. When all the 5,000 tickets are given out by us, the bank will open the sealed tickets and the person holding the corresponding number to either one or all three tickets will be entitled to the premiums.

We will begin giving out tickets Monday, March 14.

The more tickets you get, the more chances you will have in securing the premiums.

Baltzer & Dodds, Hickman, Kentucky.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Use Sunshine Floor—none better.
6 cabinet-size photos, \$1. Simpson.
L. A. Stone spent Sunday in Greenfield, Tenn.

At the gallery over Rice & Naylor's, S. A. Johnson, of Cayce, was in town Tuesday on business.

Weather that kills the winter wheat has no effect on the ragweed.

At a whist congress there is no position of honor for the speaker.

G. E. Simpson will make you 25 photos for 25c for a short time only.

Circuit Court met Monday at Mayfield with a large docket before it.

G. E. Simpson will make you a dozen cabinet pictures if you call at once.

It is no time to ask a man for a favor when he is breaking in a new pair of shoes.

You might well guess that it would be a cold day when a thief would steal a hot stove.

Many great men cannot spell but it does not follow that all who cannot spell are great.

It is a matter of geography whether a bullfight or a prizefight is considered the most brutal.

Our better half went to Fulton Friday to visit her mother and other relatives, returning Tuesday.

Mrs. Jerry Malone, daughter of Mr. Kate Witting, is reported quite ill at her residence on Jackson street.

See Rice & Co.'s new stock of fine lines and embroideries. Special New York bargains for dress trimmings.

"I suffered for months with a sore throat. Electro Oil cured me in twenty-four hours." M. S. Gist, Haverhill, Ky.

In a restaurant where the service is slow the patron often thinks that if the things were called by their right names he would be termed the waiter.

Builds up the system, puts pure rich blood in the veins; makes men and women strong and healthy—Burdock Blood Purifier, at any drug store.

County Clerk S. D. Latun went to Fulton Saturday night to visit his father, J. H. Latun who had just returned from an extended trip throughout the southwest, west and northwest, occupying several weeks.

Contractor Soradina was on Saturday awarded the contract for the erection of a four room cottage, to be built by George Matheny, on the lot adjoining his father's place in West Hickman. The building is to cost about \$700.

You can still get stamp pictures at Simpson's gallery. Don't wait too long. Strange to say the knights of rest do not enjoy life if they have to put in their nights resting.

Adversity applied regularly three times a day is the greatest cure in the world for swell head.

There is grim satisfaction to the man who is wearing an imitation diamond when he meets a holiday man.

In sending literature to a condemned murderer do not bother about including a treatise on how to live 100 years.

When a man's work compels him to get up at 4 o'clock in the morning, he is in no mood to appreciate the sunrise.

No matter how long you have had the cough, if it hasn't already developed into consumption Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup will cure it.

A telegram from New Orleans says that Allen H. Sellers, who registered from Fulton, Ky., was found unconscious in his room in a local hotel today. He had blown out the gas. Sellers is in the hospital.

Brendan has the latest wall paper samples in the country. He also carries a select line of wall paper in stock for those who may be in a hurry. The prices are ridiculously cheap this season. Call around and see them.

An alarm of fire Tuesday morning caused considerable excitement downtown; but investigation proved it was the burning out of a chimney on the residence of E. C. Ramage, on Troy Avenue, near the college. No damage.

"One thing I likes about Satan," said the old colored brother, "an dat is—he ain't never discouraged! Run him out or one to an de first news you hear is dat he done invested in real estate in de next settlement. He ez active ez Georgy nigger, runnin' ten yards ahead of de high sheriff, on a plank road."

A small blaze in the rear of Murley Roper's grocery on Clinton street at 11:30 Saturday night, frightened the occupants of the barbershop crowded, but did no other damage. Apparently a lighted match was dropped through a hole in the floor, falling upon some straw which had come around some bananas, which took fire and was consumed.

W. S. Ellison returned from a two weeks' visit to his wife at Denver, Colorado, last Saturday. Mrs. Ellison is reported to be getting along nicely. W. S. says that with all the lipster and blow about Colorado it does not near come up to Fulton county in any respect, except that there are a few mines there. He says that Hickman is good enough for him.

C. C. Smith, senior member of the firm of Smith & Amberg, has returned from a ten days' trip to market.

Years of suffering relieved in a night. Itching piles yield at once to the curative properties of Doan's Ointment. Never fails. At any drug store 50c.

Miss Stella May Covey, daughter of Mrs. M. V. Ballard, has been quite ill with an attack of measles and pneumonia.

Little Reupert and Reu Love Ballard, children of Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Ballard, are confined to their home with the measles this week.

J. E. Fuqua returned Sunday from the St. Louis market, where he purchased the spring goods for all departments of the H. C. Amberg store.

W. H. Baltzer, senior member of the firm of Baltzer & Dodds, and Mrs. R. L. Bradley, after buying a spring stock of goods in the St. Louis market, returned Sunday.

L. P. Ellison, president of the Ellison Mercantile Company, and Miss Annie Edinger, returned Sunday from the St. Louis market, where they went to purchase spring goods.

Have'n't heard anything from Carrie Nation for several months. Maybe the widow of the late and lamented David is on the carpet again and has decided to bury the hatchet. Bachelors and widowers are hereby warned to be on their guard—this is leap year. We are married.

It is reported upon good authority that Lawyer Ed Tuomas, who left Kentucky last fall for Arizona in the hope that Mrs. Thomas' health might be benefited, has decided to return to his native hearth. He is not at all pleased with the country there and says that a week in Old Kentucky was worth a lifetime in that no-account country.

Both he and his estimable wife will find a royal welcome when they again set foot in the grand old commonwealth.

The Rev. Waggoner, pastor of the Presbyterian church, will, it is thought, preach his last sermon here Sunday. The matter of his continuing has not been fully determined and will not be until he arrives. The church is somewhat in debt and the membership thinks that perhaps it would be better to dispense with regular services for awhile in order that outstanding accounts may be liquidated. The Rev. Mr. Waggoner is greatly beloved by his congregation and it is with deepest regret that he will discontinue his preaching. He is a highly cultured christian gentleman, has many friends outside his own flock here and his visits will be greatly missed.

J. G. Hall Resigns.

J. G. Hall, who was made manager of the Hickman branch wholesale house of the Haas Leiber Grocery Company at the time of its establishment last summer and who has most efficiently discharged his duties to the satisfaction of employer and customers, has resigned his position. The business was recently sold to the West Tennessee Grocery people, and for a while he was undecided as to whether he would remain with them or go with the Haas Leiber Company, with whom he had been for years in the capacity of traveling salesman before the Hickman house was established. They have offered him a splendid position in the parent house at St. Louis. Mr. Hall is a man of shrewd business qualities, a courteous and affable gentleman, and has made many warm friends during his sojourn in our city who exceedingly regret to see him leave. They however, wish for him the unequalled success he deserves.

Mr. Hall will remain here for some time, settling up the Haas Leiber Company's business. His successor has not yet been appointed by the West Tennessee Grocery Company.

WARNING.

When you ask a druggist for Paracamp, be sure you get it. There is no thing just as good. Paracamp is guaranteed to cure piles, eczema, tetter, salt rheum, etc. Remember the name—Paracamp—25 cents. Holm & Ellison.

Nice Wedding Notice.

The Okolona, Miss., News contained the following marriage announcement: "Married—Miss Sylvia Rhodes and James Canham last Saturday evening at the Baptist parsonage. The bride is a very ordinary town girl, who doesn't know any more than a rabbit about cooking and who never helped her mother three days in her life. She is no beauty by any means and has a gait like a fat duck. The groom is well known here as an up-to-date loafer. He has been living off the old folks all his life and he doesn't amount to shucks. They will have a hard life while they live together, and the News has no congratulations to offer, for we don't believe any good can come from such a union."

TRAGEDY ADVERT.

"Just the lack of time our little boy was saved" writes Mrs. W. W. Watkins of Pleasant City, O. "Pneumonia had played sad havoc with him and a terrible cough set in besides. Doctors treated him but he grew worse every day. At length we tried Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption and our darling was saved. He's now sound and well. Everybody ought to know, it's the only sure cure for coughs, colds and all diseases. Guaranteed by all druggists. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

His Devotion Wins Pardon.

Sentiment has crept into the routine of the Prison Board at Frankfort, the Commissioners have recognized a romance and presented James Fitzhugh, the central figure in it, with his freedom. On December 22, James Fitzhugh and Louis Kerr, were convicted of housebreaking, committed in Louisville. Kerr was given two years in the penitentiary. Fitzhugh was sentenced for ten years. He had been in no trou-

ble before, but on the witness stand he made a confession and declared that it was he who had originated the robbery and was responsible for it.

Since that time it has developed that Kerr had a beautiful sister with whom Fitzhugh was in love, and in order to protect the brother had taken the blame to himself. Kerr died of consumption after being paroled, and the Prison Board thought as well of Fitzhugh's manner of proving his love for his sweetheart that he was paroled.

Use Sunshine Floor—none better.

THE NEW DRUG FIRM

(Successors to the Ellison Mercantile Co., Drug Dept.)

Wants Your Trade

We work hard for our customers. We drive close bargains for them. We keep our eyes open all the time for ways of saving in buying and in the running of expenses of our store so that our prices will be the lowest and our goods the best and our treatment the most satisfactory. Are we successful? Business is growing. Following are a few of the many items on which we make cut prices, as low as you would find in a day's travel:

Castoria, 35c size, **29c**.
S. S. S., \$1.00 size, **79c**.
Wizard Oil, 50c size, **45c**.
Syrup of Figs, 50c size, **39c**.
Black Draught, 25c size, **15c**.
Wine of Cardui, \$1.00 size, **75c**.
Hood's Sarsaparilla, \$1.00 size, **83c**.
Simmon's Liver Regulator, 25c size, **19c**.
Wintersmith's Chill Tonic, 50c size, **39c**.
Paine's Celery Compound, \$1.00 size, **79c**.
Swamp Root, 50c size, **43c**; \$1.00 size, **79c**.
Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, 25c size, **19c**.
Diarrhoea Remedy, 25c size, **19c**.
Lydia E. Pinkham's Compound, \$1 size, **83c**.
There are hundreds of others.

The equipment of our prescription department is complete in every detail, and we have every facility for doing high class work. Our prescription charges are moderate and only a reasonable profit is expected.

WE RECOMMEND:

JACOB CO.'S EXTRACT OF SASSAPARILLA AND CLEBERY—BLOOD PURIFIER AND SPRING TONIC. We know what it contains. We know what it has done for others. We believe in it so thoroughly that we absolutely guarantee every bottle to be satisfactory or money refunded. Price, \$1.00 per bottle; 6 bottles for \$5.

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TARPINE CURES COUGHS.

SPRING GOODS ARE THE CENTER OF ATTRACTION.

Our trip to market this year was the most satisfactory one we have ever made. Going early enabled us to select from the very cream of the wholesale stocks. We might add that we bought heavier than usual, owing to the constant increase in our trade. These goods are coming in daily and as fast as received are placed on our shelves and counters until now the store is aglow with suggestions of spring and summer. You are cordially invited to call and become acquainted with our beautiful new goods and our advice is to buy early before the lines are picked over.

New and Stylish Spring Millinery.

Millinery! The magic word. Just now, no doubt, it is the uppermost in every woman's thoughts, and why shouldn't it be; it is one of the most important parts of a woman's toilet. For the woman who desires the most stylish millinery, or the one who prefers the modest sort we are amply prepared. Ready-to-wear hats are quite the thing and if you would be in style you'll get one. They are not expensive and will fill in nicely the time between now and Easter. Our trimmers are busy now preparing for our formal spring opening which occurs shortly. Miss Hoggland, an experienced milliner, is in charge of the department and will be pleased to have you call.

NOVELTY DRESS GOODS.

You who know the prevailing styles know that we always keep abreast of the times in dress goods. Our trade demands it and our policy is to give our customers just what they want. We show the latest shades in Voiles, both plain and nipped, Mohairs, homespun, broadcloths and a great variety of other fashionable dress goods.

DRESSMAKING DEPARTMENT.

Our dress making department will be under the charge of Miss Thornton, of St. Louis, a lady who has had wide experience as dress maker, and who comes with the best of recommendations. Miss Thornton will be ready to commence work Monday and we ask for her a share of your patronage.

CLOTHING FOR SPRING.

We invite consideration of the new season's most attractive conceptions in correct apparel for men and boys. Here you'll find spring stocks complete in all grades; good enough to carry this store's absolute guarantee of satisfaction. When ever improvement was possible in the fit, the making or style of our clothing it has been made, and whenever buying enabled us to increase quality without increasing our prices it has been done. We are showing

MEN'S SUITS, from \$5 to \$16.50
BOYS' SUITS, from \$1.50 to 7.50

that outvalue the similar offerings of any store in this vicinity, and more completely satisfy in every respect. This is not a statement resting solely upon our own estimate. It has for its proof the experience of yourself, or your friends and neighbors, who have become patrons of this store. Come and get an idea of our spring stocks, we will be pleased to show you.

SPRING HATS FOR MEN AND BOYS

Our assortment of hats and caps is now complete, including all the newest shapes. Stiff hats are popular this spring and of these we have several styles. The stock of soft hats is very large, comprising all the late ideas in shapes and colorings. We invite your inspection.



TWO FREE TRIPS TO THE WORLD'S FAIR. A TICKET GIVEN WITH EACH \$1 CASH PURCHASE.

SMITH & AMBERG,

HICKMAN.

KENTUCKY.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Use Sunshine Flour—none better.
A. A. Farie Jr. went to Paducah last week.

T. N. Smith, of Fulton, was in town Monday.

J. G. Hall and son Lloyd spent Saturday in Fulton.

Roy McKinney, of Paducah, is in town this week.

Mrs. Maggie Randle returned from a visit to Fulton Monday.

G. M. Covey and Will Covey, of Saffers Ridge, were in town Saturday.

Mrs. Kate Reeves, of Cayce, was in the city this week visiting her son, E. E. Reeves.

Mrs. Thomas Prather and Miss Lillie Maddox, of State Line, called on the Courier Tuesday, on business.

Mrs. Lorena Bailey, of Louisville, came in yesterday morning for a visit to her aunt, Mrs. R. E. Millett.

WANTED—Good, cheap buggy horse; one that can be driven with safety by ladies. Inquire at Courier office.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Cox, of Memphis, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Fugate this week. The ladies are sisters.

The Embroidery Club will be entertained this afternoon by Mrs. H. M. Ellison and Mrs. Nannie Kingman.

H. T. Beale spent two days the first of the week at St. Louis, visiting the world's fair and to (him) the world's fairest.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Shaw and child, from Tyler's handle factory, visited the family of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ballard Saturday and Sunday.

We direct the attention of our readers to the ad of Druggist Swartz this week. Those contemplating painting will go well to see him before buying.

On account of inclement weather Ed. W. J. Shelbourne did not fill his appointment at Mt. Vernon last Sunday but will preach there next Sunday at 2 p. m. All are invited to attend.

Force the spring season, if you will, dear brethren, but when you have accepted the invitation to that camping out party, take your overcoat and oil stove along—as religiously as you take the jug that holds two gallons.

R. Y. McConnell, living on rural route No. 3, was in town Tuesday on business. He stated to the Courier that his daughter, Miss Farrar, who has been quite ill for sometime, is some better and that complete recovery is but a matter of time.

Use Sunshine Flour—none better.
Mrs. T. A. Leford is reported seriously ill with measles.

Gid Walcott and wife, of Fulton, visited in Hickman this week.

S. L. Dreary, in his 86th year, who has been confined to his bed for several weeks with rheumatism and the infirmities of old age, is no better than when last reported. But little hope is entertained for his recovery, although he may survive for several weeks yet.

H. E. Wallace, a well known photographer of Union City, accompanied by his daughter, was in town several hours Wednesday. He was in search of a new location of good promise, but whether he reached a decision as to Hickman, he would not say.

Miss Hoggland arrived from St. Louis Tuesday, and has assumed her duties as milliner at Smith & Amberg's. Miss Thornton, an experienced dressmaker, will arrive Monday and will transact the department of this large store.

E. C. Rice, of the firm of Rice & Naylor, left for St. Louis Sunday. He will purchase spring goods for the firm of Rice & Naylor, and also assist Mrs. Jackson, who has been in the market a week or more, in the selection of a millinery stock for the firm of E. C. Rice & Company.

Miss Marie Brevard entertained the Embroidery Club at her home on Carroll street last Friday. It was one of the most pleasant of occasions in the history of the club, and the members spoke in very flattering terms of Miss Brevard's ability as a hostess. The feature of the evening was a "clover hunt" and was participated in by all and greatly enjoyed by all.

United States Marshal Sid Hubbard arrived in town Tuesday in search of several men for whom he has warrants, charging larceny.

He arrested one H. Holler and carried him to Paducah Wednesday, and returned Thursday for Birch Holler and "Whitely," the latter being now serving sentences in the county jail. All will answer to warrants issued by the Federal court in Paducah, at which place they will be tried.

Spring is beginning to make its appearance, after a winter that has been on both ends. Trees are beginning to bud, hyacinths and other early flowers are in bloom, and numerous other signs proclaim its coming. What is so exciting, and is yet liable to foot some of our pessimistic farmers who so far have seen naught but disaster for the coming crop.

GOOD ROADS MOVEMENT.

There is no small amount of talk going on among the farmers of the county and the merchants of this and other towns, that has as its object the bettering of the condition of our public roads. In fact, among a large number of farmers interviewed in Hickman this week by the Courier, scarce one was found to whom this subject was not the paramount one. Many complaints were heard, and many remedies suggested, but unless some organized and well-directed movement be made, there is small hope of ever accomplishing these desired results.

The past winter was an exceedingly mild one, with little rain and less snow, as winters go here; and in consequence, the roads at present are in a semipermanent condition. There are yet many places on each and every road that instantly become veritable traps with the first light rains. That these sinks are allowed to remain, is a standing accusation of inefficiency, neglect or indifference against the road overseer of that particular stretch of road, and through such incompetent, neglectful or indifferent overseers, the indictments stand against their creator, the county court.

It is not the intention of the Courier to arraign the county court, nor any of its appointees; but rather to take to task the system of governing and keeping in repair the county roads. While it is true that the system is not a failure, yet it approaches so close to it that no other word as adequately covers the situation. No better evidence is needed than an inspection of any one of the county roads. Why is there where there has not been crowds of men "working" the roads, their implements being garden hose?

Who ever saw plows, or scrapers, or mules and wagons working the roads except in such places as have been kept in proper repair? When farmers have been warned to work the roads, all the shovels, spades, picks and other tools disappear, as if by magic, and the men turn out upon the road to work with empty hands—or garden hose and rakes—and the important feature of road building is made a farce. We do not accuse the men, but the system that permits of such slipshod methods.

Under our present system enough time is spent in road building, were it wisely directed, and the workers properly equipped with tools, etc., to give Fulton county a system of roadways unsurpassed in the state. And what is the actual condition? Roads that, every month in the year are filled with sinks and impassable mud holes; roads which the farmer at all times traverses with fear and trembling lest he does not

reach his destination; roads that in the spring are lined with empty vehicles, sunk to their axles in mud and not recoverable until the mud dries; roads that in summer are knee deep in dust, and seldom, very seldom, in such condition that the load of any proposition may be hauled on them. Some may think this an exaggeration; but ask the first man you see who is compelled to use these highways at all seasons.

That our present system of keeping up roads is a failure no one disputes, and it would seem that the only way to remedy the evil is to change it. Many plans have been proposed, but the simplest and quickest way out of the difficulty is to have the work done by contract and paid for with money raised by direct taxation. The fiscal court, we are told, has power to levy such tax for such purpose, and a majority of its members are said to favor this plan. The county owns two good road machines and the town of Hickman one. One of these machines will accomplish more in a day than a gang of men would in weeks, and the work would be done by a road once properly made requires but little subsequent attention to keep it in the best of repair, and the results are most gratifying. If the court has power to levy a road tax, and we believe it has, it has been suggested by many prominent business men and farmers, who are directly interested, that it give this plan thorough consideration at its meeting in April. A uniform road tax, the same as a poll tax—such as is effective in many states—the proceeds to be applied only to road building, would solve this vexatious question in this county for all time.

If this plan meets with the approval of the farmers and business interests of the county, we respectfully suggest that petitions be made, signed by all who will, to the fiscal court asking that the change in the system be made. While it is believed that a majority of the court, and perhaps all of it, is in favor of a change, yet it will do no harm to let the court know, by petition, that should they see fit to levy a road tax, they will know they are acting in compliance with the wishes of the people, and for the greatest good to the greatest number. The court meets the first Tuesday in April, so but little time remains in which to draw up and circulate petitions. A long pull, and a strong pull, and a pull all together, and the trick is done.

J. O. Barnes and wife are still quite sick at their home near town. Their children, however, have about recovered.

The month of March appears to be a joker. After all the newspaper wit had

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Without a doubt the best and the cheapest place in Western Kentucky or Tennessee to buy furniture, carpets, window shades, rugs, mattresses, sewing machines, etc., is at Barrett & Shaw's. Get their prices before you buy. Their undertaking department is UP-TO-THIS-MINUTE. We can supply your wants.

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been written about "March coming in like a lion and going out like a lamb," and after all the cartoons had been drawn to illustrate that meteorological fact, March ramboled in like a lamb. Whether it intends to carry the joke still further by going out like a lion remains to be seen, but there are weather-wise people who think that they have observed that when a winter begins early it ends late. That is, when a winter is long it is lengthened at both ends.